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SUBJ: RABBI KAHANE AND TWO OTHER JDL MEMBERS SENTENCED IN  
BROOKLYN FEDERAL COURT

REF: USUN: 1951 AND PREVIOUS

1. ON JULY 23 US DIST COURT JUDGE JACK B. WEINSTEIN SENTENCED RABBI MEIR KAHANE TO 5 YEARS AND PAYMENT OF \$5,000 FINE WITH PRISON SENTENCE SUSPENDED AND DEFENDANT PLACED ON PROBATION. CHAIM BIEBER SENTENCED 3 YEARS AND \$500 FINE WITH PRISON SENTENCE SUSPENDED AND DEFENDANT PLACED ON PROBATION. STUART COHEN SENTENCED TO 3 YEARS SUSPENDED SENTENCE AND PLACED ON PROBATION. NO FINE. ALL THREE HAD PLEADED GUILTY TO POSSESSION OF BOMBS IN VIOLATION OF U.S. GUN CONTROL LAW.

2. WE DO NOT YET HAVE INFORMATION WHETHER THERE ARE ANY OTHER CONDITIONS TO PROBATION THAN USUAL REQUIREMENT TO REPORT TO PROBATION OFFICER AS DIRECTED.

3. UNDER ARRANGEMENT MADE AT PRETRIAL NEGOTIATION CHARGES AGAINST OTHER DEFENDANTS AS WELL AS SECOND INDICTMENT AGAINST RABBI KAHANE, BIEBER AND COHEN WERE DISMISSED ON RECOMMENDATION OF US ATTY WHO SAID THAT DEFENDANTS PEARED TO HAVE TURNED OVER ALL JDL EXPLOSIVES AND WEAPONS AS THEY HAD AGREED TO DO.

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4. COMMENT: WE ARE PLEASED WITH SENTENCE WHICH MORE SEVERE THAN WE HAD EXPECTED. ASST US ATTY PATTISON WHO PROSECUTED CASE NOTES THAT JDL TURNED OVER MORE ARMS AND EXPLOSIVES THAN USG AGENTS KNEW ABOUT. PATTISON BELIEVES JDL VIOLENCE NOW FAR LESS LIKELY AND JDL POTENTIAL FOR CAUSING SERIOUS HARM TO SOVIET PERSONNEL SHARPLY REDUCED. BUSH.

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